From: <u>Yvonne Ramon</u>
To: <u>Cohan, Lindsey</u>

Subject: Email #1: Public Records Request regarding Provisional Ballots in Hidalgo County

Date: Friday, February 07, 2014 10:21:51 PM

Attachments: Exhibit 1.ppt Exhibit 2.ppt

The first email came back undeliverable because of size limits, so I will break the attachments into three emails to see if it can be sent.

Yvonne Ramón, CERA Elections Administrator Hidalgo County (956)318-2570

From: Yvonne Ramon [mailto:yvonne.ramon@co.hidalgo.tx.us]

Sent: Friday, February 07, 2014 6:30 PM

To: 'Lindsey.Cohan@dechert.com'

Cc: 'brenda.renteria@co.hidalgo.tx.us'; 'Melissa Alvarez'

Subject: FW: Public Records Request regarding Provisional Ballots in Hidalgo County

Ms. Cohan,

Please note that our responses to your guestions are noted after the guestion and in red:

- (1) The number of provisional ballots that were cast; <u>15</u>
- (2) The number of provisional ballots that were accepted under Tex. Elec. Code § 65.054; 5
- (3) The number of provisional ballots that were distributed to voters under Tex. Elec. Code § 63.001(g) because they did not meet the photo identification requirements; Q
- (4) The number of provisional ballots identified above in (3) that were rejected; N/A
- (5) The names and any contact information of voters who voted provisionally because they lacked the requisite form of identification; N/A
- (6) The number of provisional ballots that were cast because the election official determined that, although the voter presented one of the requisite forms of identification, the name on the identification was not "substantially similar" to the name on the voter rolls; <u>0</u>
- (7) The number of provisional ballots identified above in (6) that were rejected; N/A
- (8) The names and any contact information of voters who voted provisionally because, although the voter presented one of the requisite forms of identification, the name on the identification was not "substantially similar" to the name on the voter rolls; <u>0</u>

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- (9) Any instructions, guidance, and training given to poll workers regarding implementation of the requirements of Tex. Elec. Code § 63.001(b) that persons must provide certain specified identification in order to cast a regular ballot in early voting or on Election Day; attached as Exhibit 1
- (10) Any instructions, guidance, and training given to poll workers regarding providing written notice to voters who are required to cast provisional ballots because they did not meet the identification requirements under Tex. Elec. Code § 63.001(g); attached as Exhibit 2, specifically slides 71, 72, 73, 74
- (11) Any instructions, guidance, and training given to poll workers regarding implementation of the requirements of Tex. Elec. Code § 63.001 (c) that the name on the identification provided to vote must be the same or "substantially similar" to the name on the voter rolls; and attached as Exhibit 3
- (12) Any standard form or notice provided to voters who cast provisional ballots because they did not meet the identification requirements under Tex. Elec.

Code § 63.001(g). attached as Exhibit 4, Exhibit 5-Map & Directions

Exhibit 6 is another training done by one of the other departments and is specifically geared for Hidalgo County voters, namely slides 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 & 29 which gives similar names more representative of our area.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully,

Yvonne Ramón, CERA Elections Administrator Hidalgo County (956)318-2570

From: Elections [mailto:elections@co.hidalgo.tx.us]

Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 4:17 PM

To: 'Melissa Alvarez'; 'Yvonne Ramon'; belinda.sagredo@co.hidalgo.tx.us; joaquin.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us; brenda.renteria@co.hidalgo.tx.us

Subject: FW: Public Records Request regarding Provisional Ballots in Hidalgo County

Amanda

From: Jones, Joanna [mailto:Joanna.Jones@dechert.com]

Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 3:50 PM

To: elections@co.hidalgo.tx.us

Cc: Cohan, Lindsey

Subject: Public Records Request regarding Provisional Ballots in Hidalgo County

Dear Ms. Ramón:

Please see the attached correspondence sent on behalf of Lindsey Cohan.

Kind regards,

Joanna L. Jones Assistant to Steven Weisburd, Amy Rudd and Lindsey Cohan

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